

**New Jersey State Board of Education
Minutes of the Meeting of the New Jersey State Board of Education
In the Conference Room on the First Floor
100 River View Executive Plaza
Trenton, NJ**

February 12, 2018

Presiding: Arcelio Aponte, President

Secretary: Lamont O. Repollet, Ed. D., Acting Commissioner

PRESENT CONSTITUTING A QUORUM

Dr. Ronald Butcher
Mrs. Elaine Bobrove
Mr. Jack Fornaro-via teleconference
Mrs. Mary Elizabeth Gazi-via teleconference
Mrs. Kathy Goldenberg
Mr. Andrew Mulvihill-via teleconference
Dr. Joseph L. Ricca-via teleconference
Mrs. Sylvia Sylvia-via teleconference
Mrs. Fatimah Burnam-Watkins-via teleconference

ABSENT

Mrs. Mary Beth Berry
Dr. Nedd J. Johnson
Dr. Ernest Lepore

CONVENING

State Board of Education President Arcelio Aponte convened the public meeting at 9:00 a.m. with the reading of the statement pertaining to the public session of the State Board meeting as it complies with the New Jersey Open Public Meetings Act.

The Open Public Meetings Act was enacted to insure the right of the public to have advance notice of and to attend the meeting of public bodies at which any business affecting their interest is discussed or acted upon.

In accordance with the provisions of this Act, the State Board of Education has caused notice of this meeting to be published by having the date, time and place thereof posted in the Department of Education, Secretary of State's Office and notice also having been given to the State House Press Corps, the Governor's Office and the State Board agenda subscribers.

And seeing there was a quorum, the meeting of February 12, 2018 was called to order.

ADJOURN TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

President Aponte then read the resolution pertaining to the executive session of the State Board meeting as it complies with the Open Public Meetings Act.

WHEREAS, in order to protect the personal privacy and to avoid situations wherein the public interest might be disserved, the Open Public Meetings Act permits public bodies to exclude the public from that portion of a meeting at which certain matters are discussed, now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that consistent with the provision of N.J.S.A. 10:4-12.b, the State Board Education will now adjourn to executive session to discuss personnel and legal issues. The State Board immediately adjourned to executive session on February 12, 2018.

RECONVENING

State Board President Arcelio Aponte reconvened the open meeting at 10:10 a.m. with the reading of the resolution pertaining to the resumption of the public session of the State Board meeting as it complies with the Open Public Meetings Act.

WHEREAS, consistent with the provision of N.J.S.A. 10:4-12.b, the State Board will now adjourn from executive session to resume the open session of this meeting.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE MEETINGS

On a motion duly seconded and carried, the State Board members approved the minutes of the public meetings conducted on January 3, 2018 and January 29, 2018. State Board member Mary Beth Gazi abstained from voting on the minutes of the meeting on January 3, 2018.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Announcements

Public Testimony

President Aponte stated public testimony would not be held today at 2 pm. He also stated that the State Board would be holding a public testimony session on March 7, 2018. He further stated that registration for the March 7, 2018, public testimony session will open on Thursday, February 15, 2018, and close at noon on Thursday, March 1, 2018.

President Aponte stated that the topic for the March 7 public testimony session will be the readoption with amendment to chapter 8, Standards and Assessment. He also stated that anyone interested in speaking at and/or also attending the public testimony session must register so the State Board staff can make proper arrangements for space. He further stated that members of the public should contact the State Board office at 609-984-6024 or check the following website <http://education.state.nj.us/sboe/reg.php> for updates.

State Board of Education Committees 2018-2019

President Aponte announced committee chairs for the 2018-2019 committees. He also stated that the list of committees and their full memberships are posted online. He further stated that Mrs. Goldenberg will serve as the State Board's representative to the National Association of State Boards of Education.

Committee	Chair
Policy	Mary Elizabeth Gazi
Local Control	Ernest Lepore
Strategic Plan	Ronald Butcher
Assessment	Nedd Johnson
Charter Schools	Andrew Mulvihill
Special Education	Mary Beth Berry
Career and Technical Education	Kathy Goldenberg

COMMISSIONER'S REPORTS

There were no Commissioner's reports.

ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION:

**Items scheduled for a vote are marked with an asterisk.*

***A. Appointment(s)**

- Approved the following appointment(s) pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:4-32-35 and N.J.A.C. 6A:2-1.1 et seq.:

Appointments

- Kellie LeDet, Chief of Staff/Assistant Commissioner, Division of Executive Services;
- Paula White, Assistant Commissioner, Division of Talent and Performance;
- Colleen Schulz-Eskow, Deputy Chief of Staff, Division of Executive Services;
- Jacqueline Backlund, Director, Office of Human Resources; and
- Carolyn J. Marano, Assistant Commissioner, Division of Learning Supports and Specialized Services

WORK SESSION

There was no work session.

NEW BUSINESS

President Aponte stated that Kathy Goldenberg was honored on February 7, 2018 by the Moorestown Service Clubs Council, which consists of the Rotary Lunch and Breakfast Clubs, The Lions Club and the Y Service Club as the Moorestown Citizen of the Year. He also stated that the Service Clubs Council has, since 1954 solicited nominations town wide and selected an individual each year who is a Moorestown resident and has through varied voluntary community service activities significantly contributed to the quality of life of the community and its citizens. He further congratulated Mrs. Goldenberg on behalf of the State Board members.

ADJOURNMENT

On a motion duly seconded and carried, the State Board of Education adjourned its February 12, 2018, public meeting at 10:47 a.m.

Dr. Lamont Repollet, Acting Commissioner
Acting Secretary, N.J. State Board of Education